BACKSTAGE

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With the entrance of Ivoryton's business manager, Irving Stiefel, into the U. S. Coast Guard last Friday, the Playhouse is now well represented in the various branches of the armed services. William Talman and Robert Earle, two former Ivoryton actors, are both in the Army. Michael Mielnik, our technician for the past seven or eight years, is now with the Air Corps and Joseph Pevney will soon be inducted into the Army. Erik Rhodes, another Ivoryton favorite, will shortly be made a commissioned officer which, as noted a paragraph ago, makes Ivoryton fairly well represented . . . Michael Whalen, who is making his Ivoryton debut this week, has been stopped on the streets of Ivoryton by more autograph seekers than any star in the Playhouse's history. Ninety per cent are women, of course! . . . Edmund Dorsay, our new character comedian who has won the applause of Ivoryton audiences these past two weeks with his work in "Sailor Beware" and "Jason," is the ; uthor of a new play which is currently making the managerial rounds . . . Robert Rowe Paddock, Ivoryton's new scenic designer, received the plaudits of the New York critics late last spring when he turned out the sets for the production of "Nathan the Wise" . . . Visitors to Ivoryton this past week were many and noted . . . among them, Jessie Royce Landis, the popular stage star, Sidney Phillips, the MGM talent scout and Arthur Beckhard, producer . . .

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CAST OF CHARACTERS

(In the order in which they appear)

| Dascom Dinsmore | Michael Whalen |
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| Kimo | Edmund Dorsay |
| Sir James Fenton | Randolph Preston |
| Ethel Campion | Judy Parrish |
| Little Seal | |
| Snow Bird | Caroline Dickerman |
| 1st Eskimo | Kay Spencer |
| 2nd Eskimo | Debby Katz |
| The Reverend Arthur Shapham | Hale Norcross |
| Captain John Landry | |
| Scotty | Ray Rand |
| Clara Wilson | |
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SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

ACT ONE—A wireless station on the coast of Labrador on a November afternoon.

Act Two—The same. Evening. Four days have passed. (During this act the curtain will be lowered briefly to denote the passing of half an hour.)

ACT THREE—The same. Afternoon. The next day.

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